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telegraphic advice to the effect that the
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DEATH.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 16TH, 1906.

THERE has been a great deal of talk lately about America rushing troops to Manila in expectation of trouble in China, and our telegram to-day probably has connection therewith. No one regarded the matter as anything more serious than a yellow new paper scare, until the American Government took the trouble to deny that any extraordinary movement of troops was contemplated.

Upon this, naturally, the assumption was that there must be "something in it." Assuming that there have been reasonable causes for this American nervousness—which, by the way, is apparent at nearly all the Treaty Ports—what was their nature? It might have been only a kind of "bluff," to remind official China of the possible consequences of a continuation of the boycott; but there are other circumstances which that theory cannot account for. We may say at once that there are apprehensions of another anti-foreign rising; and that the first alarms have come from the religious missions in the interior. A certain consulate at Amoy, for instance, has been deluged lately with reports and inquiries from missionaries, asking if they are to be recalled, or, otherwise, if any steps are being taken to ward off the catastrophe which they regard as imminent. The *Sinews* reports that a number of "armed robbers" made an attack on missionary premises at Chungpussien, in Changzhoufu, about 60 miles from Amoy. The missionaries escaped without injury, though one of them had to take refuge in the magistrate's

yamen. That might seem to account for many rumours, but it does not. The incident followed the rumours, and we have fairly good authority for saying that the Chinese journal's description of the law-breakers as mere "robbers" is misleading. At Amoy the foreign community feel sure of the nature of the trouble. Chinese Christians with their families and movable property have been coming into the Settlement with noticeable frequency, and settling there. At Shanghai it is reported there is a "continued feeling of anxiety;" and a gentleman who scorns the idea that the events of 1900 are likely to be repeated rather gives himself away in the following passage: "So far as I can see—and I stand in pretty close communication with Chinese of several provinces—while there is more general agitation all over the country than ever before, it is so unlike the agitation preceding the Boxer trouble that there is not the thousandth part of a probability that it will have a similar result. Not every breeze is the forerunner of a typhoon." He makes it quite clear that there is a breeze of some sort blowing. The people of Canton are not yet reassured that all is well; and at Tientsin there appears to be a general feeling that the foreign community is treading on thin ice. The *Peking and Tientsin Times* on Feb. 1st remarked: "Our relations with H.E. the VICEROY have been throughout of the most cordial, and his unfailing courtesy and hospitality to all naturally inspire a desire on the part of the community to maintain those relations at *any reasonable cost*." The last words, which we have italicised, have peculiar significance when read in conjunction with the article headed "A Tientsin Incident," which we reproduce elsewhere. The British Municipal Council and the CONSUL-GENERAL appear *prima facie* to have done a shameful thing in handing over to Chinese "justice" an old British servant for an offence which at the worst was a mild form of *lèse majesté*; and we can only assume that they were induced thereto by most serious considerations—in the endeavour, "at any reasonable cost," to avoid precipitating a crisis which might not pass over as well as did the December affair at Shanghai. This native constable in the British service was sentenced by the Viceroy, on a charge of which his employers had declared him innocent, to a thousand blows and three years' imprisonment with hard labour, "virtually a death sentence," as the *N.-C. Daily News* remarks. It must be remembered that the EMPRESS-DOWAGER's efforts of last year, reforming Chinese criminal jurisprudence, have been officially ignored all over China. There is the case of the offender recently bamboo'd to death; and the still more recent case of an employee in the Nanking Powder Works who was found guilty of stealing gunpowder, and was ordered to be summarily decapitated by Viceroy Chou Fu. The culprit was beheaded on Chinese New Year's Eve. At present it is stated that the Tientsin constable, whose real sin in Chinese eyes was that he served foreigners, has not been maltreated; and we hope that YUAN SHIKAI will further show his wisdom by releasing the man. His surrender—at all was another blow to British prestige in China; and, as we have suggested, may be regarded as another indication of foreign timorousness.

Vladivostock is closed owing to the breakdown of the ice-breakers.

The German mail of Jan'y. 17th was delivered in London on the 14th inst.

The Seoul-Fusan Railway Co. will establish iron-works and a dry dock at Fusan.

The Italian Legation at Tokyo is to be raised to an Embassy.

The Government monopoly on the sale of prepared opium is now to be extended to Kiangsu province.

In reply to Viceroy Shum, the Waiwupu has stated that no foreigner will be employed in connection with the opening of Chiu-fen-chou.

The offices of Messrs. Durand, Cobb & Co., at Yokohama, insured with the Netherland Fire Insurance Co. for £8,000, were burnt down on February 1st.

Admiral Togo is to go with two armoured cruisers to the military and naval exhibition in April, or May at Jamestown, U.S.A., and will return home by way of Europe.

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The Russian Grand-Duke Alexis is expected to visit Japan in March or April next.

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The funeral of His Majesty the late King of Denmark will take place on February 19th. A salute of 21 guns will be fired at all local Saluting Stations at 1 p.m. on that date. After the 18th instant flags will cease to be hoisted half-mast, and mourning will not be worn.

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The *Nanfangao* says that the complaint against the British police officers in connection with the Mixed Court fracas has not been dropped, but the Waiwupu consider it derogatory to China's dignity to prosecute them before the Supreme Court at Shanghai and they have telegraphed to the Chinese Minister in London to lay the matter before the Foreign Office.

One of the cleverest political cartoons this year appeared in the *Evening Standard*, and was drawn by Ralph Cleaver. It represents the new Premier as Nero, fiddling while Rome (British Empire) is burning. A building labelled "Ireland" is afame, and one of the huge columns supporting the British Empire, marked "Colonies," is falling. The head of the violin most curiously represents the features of Mr. Redmond.

By kind permission of Lt.-Colonel C. H. U. Price, D.S.O., and the Officers of the 129th D.C.O. Baluchis, the band of the regiment will play the following programme at the U.S.R Club, Kowloon, to-day commencing at 4 p.m.:—Aria "Lucia Di Lammermoor" ... Donizetti Fantasy "Maritana" Arr. by Kappay Romance, "Revil A. Anouï" ... Fred. Godfrey Value "La Jeune Vieille" Phil. Fahrbach Polka "The Dragons" Fahrbach

The Prime Minister has informed the Chambers of Commerce that their statement as to a proposed Minister of Commerce has been read by him with interest, and their request that Lord Jersey's committee's unanimous report in favour of the appointment of a Minister of Commerce shall be dealt with early next session has been referred to the Board of Trade for consideration. Every past President of the Board of Trade gave evidence before Lord Jersey's committee, and Mr. Balfour introduced a bill at the end of last session to carry out the recommendations of the committee, but it was too late to result in legislation.

On the arrival of the P. & O. s.s. *Dançola* at Singapore with Prince Arthur of Connaught and suite on board, it was at once reported to the police that one of the members of the Prince's party had lost a demand note for £200 on the Chartered Bank. It is believed that the note was stolen from his cabin. On hearing of the occurrence, Mr. Cascadon, the C. P. O., took all necessary steps to have the note stopped so that it can be of no value to the finder—if it was lost—or to the thief—if it was stolen. The fact of its having gone amiss was noticed on the voyage between Colombo and Singapore.

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The British steamer *Ascold*, at Moji from Vladivostock, reported that the H.-A. L. S. *Syria* sank after striking the mine, and was not触底, and that 500 troops out of the 1,000 on board were killed or injured.

Orders were received at Devonport for the *Dunedin*, cruiser, in the Reserve Division at that port, to be completed to full complement on February 6 for service of the China Station under the command of Capt. W. J. Grogan, who will relieve Capt. H. A. S. Flyer.

The following notification has been received from the Government of Madras:—"The Governor in Council is pleased to withdraw the regulations under the Venice Sanitary Convention, imposed at all the uninfected ports of the Madras Presidency against vessels arriving from Hongkong."

We note the arrival of Mr. Antonio de Menezes Vasconcelos, former Member of the Portuguese Parliament, Director of Banco de Portugal, and Director of the Companhia de Moçambique. We understand that Mr. Vasconcelos is visiting Macao in connection with the Banco Nacional Ultramarino.

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HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

PRESIDENT OF "PRINCESS TOTO."

The Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club are to be congratulated on their successful presentation of "Princess Toto." Last night witnessed the inaugural performance of a week's run in the Theatre Royal, and it is satisfactory to be able to pronounce the venture as praiseworthy as any in the history of the Club. This is all the more gratifying when it is remembered that the organization has suffered the loss of some of its more prominent members, notably Mr. George Lummett, who had recently to leave very hurriedly in the interests of his wife's health, but worthy successors have been found to take the places of those who from various causes are no longer found in the ranks of the amateurs, so that the club's reputation for doing things well is not likely to experience any change or betray any indications of deterioration.

In its setting "Princess Toto" for performance, the Club have exercised a wise judgment. It is not too intricate, and affords ample scope for individuality, especially for some of the principals in the domain of fun and frolic, while the chorus work is pleasing without being too exacting. The opera is at the same time thoroughly Gilbertian. It bristles with laughable absurdities and grot-sque situations. As a pretty well known, the story, such as it is, centres round the movements of a very eccentric Royal family. King Portico, who might be described as an amiable nonentity filling an exalted position, is harassed with the necessity of maintaining his dignity, so that "we may not appear ridiculous in the eyes of surrounding nations." The extent to which this feeling possesses him is indicated by his rejoinder to the minister who opined that they would all "go stark staring mad" in the event of a certain contingency: "Well, go mad in a dignified manner, and in your severest paroxysm remember to maintain your self-respect." To add to the perplexities of the troubled monarch, his only daughter, besides possessing in abundance the usual eccentricities associated with youthful femininity, suffers from extraordinary failures of memory which naturally lead to awkward situations. Detached at the age of one to a Prince (Doro) who was unfortunate to be shipwrecked and eaten by savages when he wandered from home, she was later promised in marriage to another Prince (Caramel). This youth is apparently a faddy weezer. He fails to present himself at the court at the time fixed for the wedding. Three days pass, and still no word of the claimant for the hand of the Princess. Naturally the King is becoming anxious. He dares not make to look ridiculous in the eyes of surrounding nations. On the third day a visitor arrives at the Royal palace. This is no other than Prince Doro, who was thought to have been the victim of the cannibal instincts of a savage tribe. He is anxious to claim his bride, but the Royal parent refuses to countenance his suit and informs him that he is "officially dead." Not unnaturally, Doro does not appreciate his position and after some persuasion induces the King to consent to his marriage in order to "save face." While the ceremony is being performed, the missing bridegroom presents himself at the palace. The minister left in charge has to explain the matter diplomatically to the Prince, and to make him see the humour of the thing. In this the minister is not quite successful, but the Prince decides to take advantage of the bride's volatile and romantic temperament to come before her as a brigand chief. He does so, and she is so charmed with the prospect of "deeds of derring do" that she goes off with him, forgetting all about Prince Doro and the fact that she is married. But when she finds that the brigands are rather namby-pamby sort of people, she becomes disgusted. In this frame of mind she is susceptible to the primitive charms of a Red Indian tribe, who carry her off with them. This tribe is also artificial. It is made up of the august members of her father's royal court, with the King at their head, who had formed this plan to induce her to return to the paternal shade. After some very funny situations in which the Princess fails to remember her suitors, all is sorted out, and with the Princess promising not to repeat her offence of forgetting that she is a married woman, the curtain falls.

Coming now to refer to the performance, there is nothing in it that calls for unfavourable remark. Admittedly there were times when the audience became conscious that the arties were, after all, amateurs, but on the whole the production went with a swing and a smoothness that materially added to its appreciation by last night's enthusiastic audience. The arties must have done considerable time to the task of perfecting themselves in their respective parts, for all of them seemed thoroughly at home on the stage, and any faults that were noticeable were of a character that would disappear in the course of the series of performances. This highly creditable result was in itself a tribute to the painstaking supervision of Mr. E. W. Mitchell, under whose direction the opera has been produced, and though the audience do not make his acquaintance on the stage the importance of the part which he played was none the less obvious.

While the text of the opera has been very well adhered to, its opportunities for local treatment have not been ignored. Mrs Francis Clark—about whose performance more anon—is responsible for a song and chorus, entitled "Moon, Moon." This is an attractive composition, and as rendered by herself meets with cordial expressions of approval, the chorus, as sung by the company carrying lanterns, being decidedly pleasing. Mr. Denman Fuller has composed the music for

this song, as well as that for "The World of Dreams." His greatest success, however, is the song and chorus, "He's her Hongkong pal," both words and music being from his pen. The words and air are likely to prove catchy. Besides this, the principals introduce many topical allusions:

The chorus has been trained to a high degree of efficiency, and rendered the various concerted pieces in an excellent manner. Their performance was much enhanced by the skilful instrumentation supplied by the orchestra under the direction of Mr. Denman Fuller.

Not a hitch marred the presentation of the opera. Each succeeding act seemed better than the other, and the hearty plaudits and encores by the auditors must have been very flattering to the amateur arties, all of whom certainly worked with a will. From the scenic point of view the production left little to be desired. The pretty scenes which distinguished each of the three acts was by the staff of the Amateur Dramatic Club, while the elaborate costumes which invested each scene with a picturesque charm were made under the direction of Miss Wallace.

Making individual mention of the arties, "Princess Toto" ought to come first. This role was filled by Mrs. Francis Clark, who was throughout easy, natural and convincing. The vivacious, romantic temperament of the king's daughter, skilfully shown, did not fail to impress the audience by their themes as well as by the manner in which they were rendered. She was ably supported by Miss D. Humphreys as Jolly (who acquitted herself with a distinction both as an actress and a vocalist), Miss Cohen as Follett (who proved a most accomplished singer and dancer) and had to respond to several encores for her clever castanet dances and other performances) and by Mrs. Perkins as Flummery. King Portico, dignified, yet eccentric, could hardly have had a better exponent than Mr. W. M. Stewart. He preserved the serious comic aspect throughout without any suggestion of buffoonery, and his performance cannot be more adequately described than in the word artistic. Zapeter, his prime minister—a name which called forth memories of the Happy Valley—was well taken by Mr. H. M. Kendall, who brought out its humour most effectively. Mr. S. Northcote found the portraiture of Jumilek, the Foreign Secretary, much to his liking. He reviled in the "Hawthorn" speeches which he had to deliver and made the most of the rôle with humorous asides and funny antics. Very successful also was Mr. Grindle as Trombone, who dressed for the part admirably. Surgeon Horley, who took the part of Prince Doro at short notice, was responsible for much of the humour of the evening, and acted and sang in a manner which many a professional might well envy, while Mr. F. S. Carruthers in the characterisation of Prince Caramel was seen to advantage. The other arties took the parts assigned them with credit. This notice should not be concluded without a reference to Madames Cohen, Lambert and E. Rowe, who showed themselves neat and skillful dancers, and had to repeat their performance to a delighted audience. In short, the production afforded an excellent night's entertainment.

The cast is set out below:

CHARACTERS.	
King Portico	Mr. W. M. Stewart
Zapeter (His Prime Minister)	H. M. Kendall
Trombone (His Lord Chamberlain)	G. Grindle
Jumilek (His Foreign Secretary)	M. S. Northcote
Prince Doro	Surg. Horley, R.N.
Prince Caramel	Mr. E. S. Carruthers
Count Floss	G. G. Franklin
Baron Jaquier	A. E. Paine
Prisoner	R. Whittemore
Princess Toto	Mrs. Francis Clark
Jolly	Miss D. Humphreys
(Her Maids of Honour)	Miss Cohen
(Flummery)	Miss Rowe
Pages to the King	Masters Bullock & Martin
Ladies of the Court, Gipsies, Peasants, Indians, etc.	Madames Andrews, Capell, Drew, Hance, E. Jones, Jones, Lambert, Moon, Morris, Perkins, Rowe, E. Rowe, Schroeter, and Schmidt.

Gentlemen of the Court, Baudjis, Indians, &c.—Messrs. J. D. Auld, F. A. Biden, Tom Clarke, A. J. Durby, W. A. Dowley, H. W. Dernier, C. E. A. Humphreys, G. Humphreys, C. Hance, J. Hance, H. S. Holmes, J. Lambert, C. E. Parker, H. F. Pethey, L. C. Rees, G. Morton Smith, J. J. Sibbitt, R. H. Spearman, A. E. Wright, and J. A. Young.

Principal Dancers: Madames Cohen, Lambert and E. Rowe.

The Orchestra was composed as follow:

Musical Director: Mr. Denman Fuller, F.R.C.O., L.R.A.M.

1st Violins: Mr. F. C. Barlow, Mr. H. F. Hickman, Mr. A. Pearson, and Mr. A. Schmitz.

2nd Violins: Mr. C. Catchick and Mr. J. C. Rosario.

Viola: Mr. F. Gonzales. Cello: Mr. P. Miller. Double Bass: Dr. J. H. Swan. Flute: Mr. J. D. Osmund. Oboe: Mr. W. Anderson. Clarinet: Mr. A. S. Tuxford. Cornets: Mr. W. H. Bristow and Mr. A. Darby.

Side Drum and Triangle: Mr. F. Caesar.

Organ: Mr. F. F. Bovet.

Piano: Mr. E. J. Chapman.

In addition to the usual compliments bestowed on Miss Cohen, she was last night made the recipient of a handsome bouquet.

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, February 15th.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. A. G. WISE (PUISNE JUDGE).

NON-SUITED.

The case in which the Kwong Wing Tai sued the Kung Woo for \$149.83, being the proceeds of the sale of 49 crates of dried persimmons sold by defendants on behalf of the plaintiff firm in February of last year, was resumed. Mr. C. F. Dixon (of Mr. John Hastings' office) appeared for the plaintiff firm, and Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton (of Messrs. Brutton, Holt and Goldring) appeared for the defendant firm.

At the last hearing the question was raised as to the actual ownership of the persimmons, the defendants claiming that the persimmons were brought to them for sale by one, Lo Ho Cheung, to whom the money for the same had been paid after sale, and the case was adjourned in order to secure the attendance of Cheuk Sing, a material witness for the plaintiff, who had gone to Canton.

This witness appeared and stated that Lo Cheung had nothing to do with the transaction; that witness' *fok* had taken the goods to the defendant firm.

The Puisne Judge said plaintiff must be nonsuited, with costs.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE SIR FRANCIS PIGGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

RE KUNG CHIN FIRM.

Mr. C. F. Bailey (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master) applied for a receiving order re the Kung Chin firm, *ex parte* McEwen, Fricke and Company, the act of bankruptcy being that the debtor had left the Colony with the object of defrauding his creditors. Mr. Bailey stated that when he put in his affidavit he was informed by the Registrar that there were not enough facts stated in such affidavit for him to get a receiving order, and the application was adjourned. In the meantime Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton had filed an application for a receiving order against the same debtor and got it.

His Honour—But you are not going to deal with that now?

Mr. Bailey—No, your Lordship; I merely mention it as I would submit, and I don't think my friend Mr. Brutton has any objection, that the two orders should be consolidated.

Mr. Brutton—I have no objection, my Lord. The order was made accordingly.

REFUSED.

To Hop Wo-chin *ex parte* Hang Heung Shiu-ki, Mr. H. K. Holmes, appearing for the petitioning creditor, said that the debtor owed his client \$651. He read a letter in which the debtor stated that his business was not "progressive" owing to inability to collect debts which were outstanding in foreign ports, and that he intended to "temporarily suspend" payment of the account between them.

His Lordship, in refusing the application, said that the temporary suspension was not an act of bankruptcy as laid down, but was merely asking for time.

POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, February 15th.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELDINE (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

ASSAULT.

A chair coolie in the employ of Mr. John Lunn was charged with assaulting an Indian constable at the races on Wednesday.

He was convicted and ordered to pay a fine of \$5.

UNLICENCED HAWKERS.

Fifteen hawkers were proceeded against for selling dog's flesh as food at Happy Valley on Wednesday.

They were found guilty and each was ordered to pay a fine of \$3.

ASSAULT.

Charles Mooney, secretary to the Hongkong Hotel Company, proceeded against Wong Ho, married woman, residing at No. 21, Macdonald Road, on a charge of assault.

The defendant, who was represented by Mr. K. Hall Brutton (of Messrs. Brutton, Holt and Goldring), took out a cross-summons.

On the application of the complainant, the case was adjourned.

A DESERTER.

William Hodgson was charged with desertion from the Third Middlesex Regiment in South Africa on October 10th, 1904.

Defendant admitted the charge, and his Worship ordered that he be handed over to the military authorities.

BEFORE MR. C. D. MELBOURNE (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

LARCENY.

Four coolies were charged with stealing \$150 and a waistcoat from one, Chui Pan, of Canton, in Bridges Street on Wednesday night. The defendants denied the charge.

The complainant said he was walking along Bridges Street about 8.30 p.m., when the four defendants and two other coolies met him.

One caught hold of him by the queue, while the others went through him, relieving him of his waistcoat which contained \$150. The defendants then attempted to relieve him of his overcoat, but this he asked them not to do, promising them that if they returned with him to the shop at which he stayed in Queen's Road he would give them some money. They accompanied him to the shop in question, when witness called for assistance, and the defendants ran away.

Witness and a *foki* of the shop succeeded in overtaking the first defendant, and handed him over to the police, and later on the same night the police arrested three more of the defendants.

His Worship found them guilty, and sentenced defendants to fifteen days' hard labour and six hours' stocks.

A PICKPOCKET.

A native was charged with attempting to pick a countryman's pocket at Happy Valley on Wednesday.

The Chinese detective who arrested him stated that he saw defendant endeavouring to cut a hole in another man's pocket with one of the knives used by pickpockets.

Defendant said he had just arrived from Macao, where he carried on business as a tailor. When the detective saw him, he was putting his hand into his pocket, which action apparently made the officer suspicious; for he saw, he found, the knife on his person, and in consequence arrested him. He used the knife for cutting out clothes in connection with his business.

His Worship found defendant guilty, and sentenced him to fifteen days' imprisonment and six hours' stocks.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "ARABIA," FROM PORTLAND (OR.), YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

S. SILVERSTONE,
Acting General Agent.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [13]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the rate of \$1.00 per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Shareholders held this day, will be PAYABLE at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after FRIDAY, the 16th February, 1906.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for Warrants, By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [424]

PONIES! PONIES! PONIES!

THE Undersigned will hold their Annual Sale of Race Ponies by Public Rung on TUESDAY,

the 23rd February, 1906, at 4 P.M., opposite the CITY HALL.

FIFTY LOTS;

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the 24th February, 1906, at 4 P.M., at KENNEDY'S CAUKEWAY, REPOSITORY, Upwards of FIFTY LOTS.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1906. [425]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW AND AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN."

Captain A. J. Robson, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 17th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [420]

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THE Steamship

"TJILIWONG,"

Captain Zurrianus, will be despatched for the above Ports on about the 26th February.

For information as to Freight and Passage, apply to the

Head Agent of the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJI, (York Buildings, 1st Floor),
Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [421]

THE BROCKLEBANK LINE TO FAR EAST.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"BENGALI,"

will leave for the above places on FRIDAY, the 23rd inst., P.M.

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SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents.

Prince's Building, Hongkong, 16th February, 1906. [422]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"NAMSANG,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from along-side.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M., the 17th inst., will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [423]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"MATOPPO,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optimal Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared before the 23rd inst. will be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and notice of same sent to this Office before the 25th inst., or claims in connection therewith will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees and/or Owners of Cargo are required to sign General Average Bond and to deposit an amount equal to four per cent. on the value of their Cargo before Bills of Lading can be countersigned for delivery.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [423]

MAIL TABLES

AS OFFICIALLY PREPARED

FOR 1906.

Showing the dates of departure of the Mails to Europe and America, and the dates of their expected arrival at their destinations, as well as the dates of departure of the Mails from Europe and America and the dates on which they are due to reach Hongkong. A Special Table is devoted to the Parcels Post to and from England.

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PUBLIC COMPANIES

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the CHINA TRADERS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company at Queen's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, THIS DAY (FRIDAY), the 16th day of FEBRUARY, 1906, at 12 NOON, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the subjoined special Resolutions. Should the said Resolutions be passed by the required majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated the 16th February, 1906.

By Order of the Board,

JAMES WHITALL
Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS:

(1). That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in the following manner:

The following Article shall be substituted for Article 130, namely—

130. The Board, through its Secretary, shall make Yearly Statements of the Accounts of the Company from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December, in each and every year, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders at each of the Ordinary Meetings of the Company, together with a Report on the general position of the Company.

(2). That the Board, through its Secretary, shall make a Statement of the Accounts of the Company as from the 1st day of May, 1905, to the 31st day of December, 1905, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Company to be held during 1905 and that, inasmuch as the Accounts of the Company have already been audited and presented to the Shareholders to the 30th April, 1905, no further or other Statements of the Accounts of the Company for the year 1904, shall be called for or presented to the Shareholders in respect of Article 130 as this day substituted.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

THE SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the OFFICE of the General Manager, St. George's Building, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, 1906, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1905, declaring a Dividend and electing Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 20th February, until SATURDAY, the 24th February, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 6th February, 1906. [362]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 24th day of February, 1906, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1905.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [331]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 10th, to the 24th day of February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 10th, to the 24th day of February (

**INTIMATION
EQUITABLE LIFE
ASSURANCE
SOCIETY
OF THE
UNITED STATES.**

**LETTER TO POLICYHOLDERS
FROM THE PRESIDENT.**

New York, December 14th, 1905.

TO THE POLICYHOLDERS:
I had hoped to make some statement to you before this, but I have believed it was best to wait until I could give you a final conclusion in regard to the financial condition of the Society based on full investigation. This explains the delay in communicating with you.

On June 9th last, under the condition that I should have full power as to method and methods, and with no pledges of any kind to any one, I was elected by the Directors of the Society as CHAIRMAN of the BOARD. Directors are chosen annually, and the Trustees will each year offer an opportunity to the policyholders to express their preferences in respect of the choice of Directors.

INTIMATIONS

ANNUAL AUDIT.
It will be the policy of the new administration of the Society to insist on an independent audit of its accounts as to its fiscal condition, once each year; the result of which will be published.

NOMINATION OF DIRECTORS.

Under the change in ownership of a majority of the stock, the shares were at once put in trust, and Directors are now nominated by the trustees.—Hon. Grover Cleveland, Justice Morgan J. O'Brien, and Mr. George Westinghouse. Trustees. Directors are chosen annually, and the Trustees will each year offer an opportunity to the policyholders to express their preferences in respect of the choice of Directors.

POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

It will be the policy of the Society hereafter not to make contributions to political campaigns. It is my opinion that we have no right to use the funds of the Society for any such purpose.

REAL ESTATE MORTGAGES.

In the last ten years this Society has loaned over \$120,000,000 on real estate mortgages, mostly in large cities. Only in six of these cases has it had to take property under force and in these six instances the property was sold so as to net a profit. It will continue to be the policy of the Society to make investments of this description.

CONT'D. INSURANCE.

The very essence of life insurance is safety and this can be secured only by reasonable premiums.

A great many Equitable policyholders are asking themselves the question whether it will pay them to continue their policies. To such I wish to say most emphatically that my investigation of the affairs of the Society has convinced me that there is no cheaper way for the policyholders of the Equitable to have sound life insurance than by retaining their policies. As I have pointed out, the surplus of over \$67,000,000, are safely invested upon bonds which return an excellent rate of interest upon the revised valuations, and I expect in due time to accomplish such economies that the cost of administration and securing new business will be reduced to the lowest possible basis consistent with safety and efficiency. I accordingly believe that by continuing your policies in the Equitable you will receive life insurance at the lowest cost consistent with safety.

I therefore advise you to continue your premiums; to allow your policies to lapse will be doing yourselves injustice. Your contracts with this Society are as safe and sound as anything earthly can be. Where lapses have already occurred the agents of the Society will cheerfully assist in restoring policies.

3. The other investments of the Society; their character; and the circumstances under which they have been made.

4. The Society's surplus and the manner in which it is carried upon the books of the Society.

5. The methods of keeping the Society's accounts, and the respects in which its accounting may be improved.

6. The relations between the Society and the trust companies, banks, safe deposit companies, and other institutions with which the Society is affiliated by ownership of considerable amount of stock or otherwise. (In the case of every corporation in which the Society has a dominant or important interest, or with which the Society has special relations, the ownership of stock other than that owned by the Society should be ascertained so far as practicable.)

7. The subjects covered by the report of the Investigating Committee of which Mr. Frick was Chairman should be fully investigated.

8. When the report of the New York Superintendent of Insurance has been made that report should be carefully studied and every matter covered by it or by the recommendations of the Commissioner should be carefully examined.

Subsequently a still more elaborate plan of investigation was agreed upon with these accountants, and I doubt if any American insurance company ever before had such an exhaustive examination.

It has taken a large force of men five months to ascertain the exact financial status of the Society, now fully exposed by the balance sheet transmitted with the following note and reproduced on pages 6 and 7.

New York, November 25th, 1905.

Mr. PAUL MORTON, President,
The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, 120, Broadway, New York.

DEAR SIR:—The exhaustive examination which we have made of the affairs of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States is far from completed, that we are now able to furnish you with a Balance Sheet showing the true Financial Position of the Society on September 30th, 1905.

The Assets of the Society as claimed were all found to be on hand, and amounted in value to G. \$46,400,400 as shown by the Balance Sheet.

The Surplus over and above all Liabilities amounted to G. \$67,142,865.42.

A conservative revaluation of the Assets, including a re-appraisal of all the real estate owned by the Society or covered by mortgages held by the Society, has resulted in a reduction in certain of the values adopted in the Society's last Annual Report, principally in Real Estate, and in Stocks of certain financial institutions.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO., Chartered Accountants.

by A. LOWES DICKINSON, F.C.A., C.P.A.
(Signed) HASKINS & SELLS, Certified Public Accountants.

by ELIJAH W. SELLS, C.P.A.

You will be gratified to learn:

(1) That all the assets claimed by the Society are on hand, of a high grade, and are conservatively worth G. \$46,166,500.10.

(2) That, over and above all liabilities, the surplus is G. \$67,142,865.42, about seven-eighths of which is a fund for division among existing deferred dividend policies at the end of their accumulation periods.

(3) That the reduction in the book value of our assets and surplus is caused by a revaluation on a conservative basis, and in no way reduces the income of the Society.

The decrease in the value of assets is chiefly in real estate, which was carried at prices too high, and in shares of certain financial institutions which were carried at much higher prices based on transactions which were deemed by the accountants to be excessive.

RETRIBUTION.

Economies amounting to G. \$60,000,000 a year have already been introduced, which if capitalized on a four per cent. basis would be equivalent to an additional investment of over G. \$15,000,000. This more than covers the marking down of assets. I expect to institute still further economies of radical character.

RESTITUTION.

Under the past management transactions involving the expenditure of large sums of money have been carried through frequently without any proper authority of the Board of Directors and with very meagre bookkeeping records, so that it has been difficult in many instances to secure explanation of certain transactions which were taken place during the last ten years, some of which involve a financial loss to the Society.

The liabilities disbursed by the Society, and the amounts restored to the Society approximate G\$1,000,000, and legal proceedings have been instituted for the recovery of considerable additional sum.

GOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the GOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL on MONDAY, the 19th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1906. 413

NOTICE.

EO. FENWICK & CO., LTD., Engineers &c., are open to receive OFFERS FOR THE PURCHASE OF THEIR WANCHAI PROPERTY, comprising portions of Marine Lots Nos. 31 and 36; approximate area 43,000 square feet.

For further particulars apply to the Company.

Hongkong, 12th July, 1905. [135]

**Abbey's
Effervescent Salt**

Have you found out about Abbey's Salt yet?

You know for a fact that there is nothing so bad for your health as a disordered stomach or a sluggish Liver.

It is also a fact that there is nothing so good for a disordered stomach or a sluggish Liver as Abbey's Salt.

Now you know—don't forget to use it.

Sold in two sizes by all Chemists and Stores, and by Waterhouse Ltd., and A. S. Watson, Ltd., Hong Kong.

The Abbey Fruit Saline Co., Ltd., 44, Queen Victoria Street, London, E.C.

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DUPES ENLIGHTENED.

The publication referred to below, *Leaves of Healing*, has been circulating in the Far East. A New York telegram states that the Prophet Dowie, who has "assuredly" spoken unto tens of thousands of simple-minded persons in America for the past fifteen years, is found out at last. Zion City, near Chicago, is bankrupt.

The second Elijah has abdicated, and is about to sail for the Bullocks. On his return from Mexico a month ago he made an oracular declaration that the Almighty had miraculously cured him of paralysis, but had only paralyzed that affected him was the paralysis of the industries of Zion City, the wholesale destruction of the Dowies, and his inability to make any more dupes or enslave any more dollars out of them. In Dowie's publication, the *Leaves of Healing*, he bids good-bye to Zion City. "Since sleep has been given me," he announces, "I must go apart and rest awhile." He relinquishes his prophetic mantle to Overseer Spacher, and insists that the property of the Zionists amounts to three millions sterling. The remnant of the followers are anxious and excited. Thomas Wood, a prominent deserter, says, "My family and I were welcome from Australia as servants of God and members of the Restoration. Dowie took charge of us, and we almost worthless."

DIRECTORS.—During the year Mr. C. W. Wrightson and Mr. J. J. Block resigned, owing to their departure for home, and Mr. J. Johnston and Mr. H. Augustesen were elected Directors instead. In accordance with the articles of association, Mr. A. McLeod retires from the board, but being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

For the year ending December 31st, 1905.

To balance ... \$49,943.32

... \$49,943.32

CR.

By balance of working acct. 1904 ... \$2,085.38

less written off on preliminary expenses account ... 2,085.38

By balance of working account, 1905 \$49,943.32

... \$49,943.32

CR.

By property account ... \$239,055.82

To machinery, including electric installation ... 191,337.13

To fire account ... 63,859.66

To stock of materials ... 128,567.72

To stock of paper ... 45,304.69

To country debtors ... 23,574.18

To Deutsch-Asiatische Bank, Tsing-tao ... 2,863.03

To fire insurance account ... 1,180.66

To preliminary expenses ... 8,876.37

... 8,876.37

LIABILITIES.

Cr. ... 870,569.30

By share capital ... \$100,000.00

By Deutsch-Asiatische Bank, Shanghai ... 120,422.38

By bank ... 31,779.33

By sundry creditors ... 102,433.27

By balance of profit and loss ... 49,943.32

... 49,943.32

CR.

S. E. & O. Shanghai, January 22nd, 1906.

A. McLeod, Director.

J. Johnston, Director.

SWOFFERT & CO., Agents.

I hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing accounts with the general ledger and have found them in conformity therewith.

I have compared the payments in the cash book with the vouchers and the bank pass book for the year ending December 31st, 1905, and have found all in order.

GEORGE R. WINGROVE, Auditor.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1901.

DR. M. H. CHAUN.

THE latest Method of the AMERICAN SYSTEM of DENTISTRY.

37, DES VIEUX ROAD CENTRAL.

From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 4th September, 1905. [2056]

SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

ANPING MARU, Japanese str., 1,652, H. Kobayashi, 13th Feb.—Shanghai and Swatow 12th Feb., General—Osaka Shosen Kisha.

APENNADE, German str., 611, A. Uderup, 14th Feb.—Iloilo 8th February, Sugar.

ATENHOLD, KAEBERG & CO., 2351.

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD.

We have now 40,000 Cubic feet of Cold Storage available at EAST POINT. Stores will be Open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sunday excepted to receive and deliver perishable goods.

WM. PARKER, Manager.

Hongkong, 18th November, 1901.

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SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

BANCA, British str., 6,000, J. R. Ferguson, 14th Feb.—Singapore 3rd Feb., Sugar.

BEERFOO, Chinese str., 1,330, A. Crawford, 12th Feb.—Shanghai 9th Feb., General.

CHIHLI, British str., 1,612, G. Ilcoke, 29th Jan.—Nagasaki 11th Jan. and Koh 17th Feb.—Butterfield & Swire.

CHONGKING, British str., 987, Pompeyfather, 10th Feb.—Cob and Ho 6th Feb., Sugar.

DAVID GORDON & SON'S MERCHANT NAVY NAVY BOILED LONG FLAX CANVAS TARPAULING ARNHOLD, KAEBERG & CO.

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ARRIVALS.

DAIJI MARU, Japanese str., 857, G. Tagami, 15th Feb.—Tamaui, Amoy and Swatow.
HAIKUEN, British str., 636, A. J. Robson, 15th February—Swatow 14th Feb., General, Douglas Lapraik & Co.
HELMHOLD, Norwegian steamer, 15th February, from Canton.
HUMAON, British str., 1,424, J. Davies, 15th Feb.—Wukai 10th Feb., Rice—Jardine Matheson & Co.
KUANGKIAT, German str., 1,175, Kohler, 14th Feb.—Bangkok 6th Feb., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
KILBURN, British str., 1,800, Le Templeur, 15th Feb.—Publ Iant (S. Birrell) 6th February, Coal—Dowdell & Co.
KUKUANG, British str., 1,228, W. O. Jones, 15th Feb.—Shanghai 11th Feb., General—Butterfield & Swire.
MATEPRO, British str., 3,420, W. H. Dernford, 15th Feb.—London, Colombo and Singapore 7th Feb., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
NAMSANG, British str., 2,591, G. Payne, 15th Feb.—Calcutta 30th Feb., General—Jardine Matheson & Co.
PACIFIC, British str., 1,375, J. Cogan, 14th Feb.—Londo 10th Feb., Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.
SIGNAL, German str., 107, C. Hansi, 15th February—Bangkok 7th Feb., Rice and General—Johens & Co.
STEETIN, British str., 1,378, J. E. Farrell, 14th Feb.—Singapore 8th Feb., Kerosene—Geo. MacLean.
TAIWAN, British str., 1,043, J. A. Martin, 15th Feb.—Wuhu and Chinkiang 9th Feb., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
YEWCHOW, British steamer, 150, February, from Canton.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE
February 15th.
Aunging Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow.
Bawu, British str., for Shanghai.
Hinsung, British str., for Canton.
Kinkang, British str., for Canton.
Tairan, British str., for Canton.
Wakamatsu Maru, Japanese str., for Moji

DEPARTURES.

February 14th.
HOUSTON, German str., for Hoochow.
PRINCESS ALICE, German str., for Shanghai.
THOMA, Norwegian str., for Saigon.
February 15th.
AREN, British torpedo-boat, for home.
BONAVENTURE, British cruiser, for home.
DEE, British torpedo-boat, for home.
ETRICK, British torpedo-boat, for home.
EX-E, British torpedo-boat, for home.
FLORA, British cruiser, for Shanghai.
ITCHEN, British torpedo-boat, for home.
CERI, Italian str., for Bombay.
CATHERINE APOL, British str., for Calcutta.
HATTAN, British str., for Coast Ports.
HUE, French str., for Kuanminghauan.
KUHSICHANG, German str., for Hoochow.
PATRICIA, British str., for London.
PEIRA, British str., for Shanghai.
QUINTA, German str., for Saigon.
STEETIN, British str., for Canton.
TELEMACHUS, British str., for Saigon.
WILLEHAD, German str., for Yokohama.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German str. *Kreuzer* reports: Fine weather.
The British str. *Harrow* reports: Moderate E.N.E. breeze and dull misty weather.
The British str. *Melville* reports: Moderate N.E. monsoon and fine weather; chick weather approaching const.

The British str. *Nemesis* reports: Fine clear weather, light E.N.E. winds and moderate E.N.E. swell from Singapore to Hongkong.

The British str. *Peafowl* reports: Fine weather and moderate winds to within 150 miles S.E. of Hongkong; thence strong monsoon and heavy weather to port.

The British str. *Kingfisher* reports: Strong N.E. winds, occasional rainy weather and moderate N.E. sea from Bangkok to Hongkong.

The German str. *Sigurd* reports: Feb. 13th passed the British barque *Sanda* (L.C.P.W.) in lat. 18°45' N., long. 111°56' E. from Hongkong to London; reported all well.

The British str. *Stettin* reports: Light easterly winds to 230 miles from Hongkong; thence to port strong N.E. winds, sea and thick rainy weather. Feb. 13th, 1:45 p.m. spoke L.C.P.W. (4-masted barque) in lat. 18°53' N., long. 111°56' E., steering S.W.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"OCEANIEN," Captain Courteot, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about MONDAY, the 19th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1906. [2]



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Company's Steamship

"PERSIA," Captain Craggieto, will have for the above places on WEDNESDAY, the 21st inst., A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to S. ANDERSON WISLER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [5]

SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON.

THE Steamship

"DAINI TAIAN-MARU," will be despatched for the above Ports on or about MONDAY, 19th inst.

For the Special Cheap Freight, apply to ATAKA & CO. (The Kusakabe & Co.), Agents.

1st Floor of the Chartered Bank.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1906. [49]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island, Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked K, nearest Hongkong H, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon M, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf K.W., together with his number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & RIG	BIRTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED BY
LONDON & ANTWERP	GLENSTRAE	Brit str.	—	J. McGillivray	MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW	About 22nd inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	BENLARIG	Brit str.	—	Wallace	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	About 23rd inst.
LONDON, &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	DELHI	Brit str.	1 m.	J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 24th inst., at Noon.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	SAINT BEDE	Brit str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ACHILLES	Brit str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 13th Mar.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	ALCINOUS	Brit str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th Mar.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	DIOMED	Brit str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	TEENEAI	Brit str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th April.
MARSAILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	SALAZIE	Fren str.	—	Ailund	MELCHERS & CO.	On 29th inst., at 1 P.M.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	ZIETEN	Ger str.	—	F. von Bizer	MELCHERS & CO.	On 32nd inst., at Noon.
HAMBURG	LIBERIA	Ger str.	—	Kier	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 27th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SEPIZA	Ger str.	k. w.	Müller	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SAMIDA	Ger str.	k. w.	Ellers	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SAXONIA	Ger str.	k. w.	Bahls	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SILESIA	Ger str.	k. w.	Peter	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 4th April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SENEGAMBIA	Ger str.	k. w.	Schönfeld	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 18th April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SEGOWIA	Ger str.	k. w.	Collehan	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 2nd May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	AUSTRIA	Ans str.	—		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 5th Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ANTENOR	Brit str.	1 m.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 20th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	PELEUS	Brit str.	—		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 20th Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	AGAMEMNON	Brit str.	1 m.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 20th April.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	VEDO	Brit str.	—	Baird	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About 27th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ST. GEORGE	Brit str.	—	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About 20th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TARTAR	Brit str.	1 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 21st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	EMPEROR OF JAPAN	Brit str.	2 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 24th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	YANGTSE	Brit str.	1 m.	T. W. Garlick	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.	On 19th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TREMONT	Am str.	—	J. H. Rinder	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst., at 5 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	MINNESOTA	Am str.	—	Metzenthorn	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	About end of Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ARABIA	Ger str.	—		SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 28th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SEMINOLE	Brit str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd Mar., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TSINAN	Brit str.	—	Powell	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 6th Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	EASTERN	Brit str.	—	S. Burcham	MELCHERS & CO.	On 20th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	WILLEHAD	Brit str.	—	B. W. H. Show	P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 21st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	JAVA	Brit str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	FORMOSA	Brit str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.	On 16th Mar.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TIJMAHI	Dut str.	—		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst., at 5 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	CHIANG	Brit str.	—		PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO.	About end of Feb.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	KIUKIANG	Brit str.	1 m.		SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 28th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	OCEANIEN	Fren str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 3rd Mar., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	PERMIA	Ans str.	—		MELCHERS & CO.	On 6th Mar., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	PLATING	Brit str.	1 m.		P. & O. S. N. CO.	On 20th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TRIUMPH	Brit str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 21st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BENGALI	Ans str.	—		OMAHA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., at 8 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	DEITA	Brit str.	—		SANDER, WISLER & CO.	On 23rd inst., at 5 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	RUBEN	Brit str.	—		C. L. Daniel	On 28th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TAMING	Brit str.	1 m.		MELCHERS & CO.	On 28th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ZAPICO	Brit str.	—		OMAHA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst., at 8 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SURGIKANG	Brit str.	—		OMAHA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst., at 10 A.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	DAINI TAIAN-MARU	Jap str.	—		Douglas Lapraik & Co.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	NAMANGA	Brit str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-morrow, at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	TMILWONG	Dut str.	—		SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 20th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	Zurriaanse	Dut str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.					SEGOVIA	On 22nd inst., at 3 P.M.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.					HAVRE & HAMBURG	On 26th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.					SENEGAMBIA	Special attention of intending Passengers is drawn to the splendid accommodation of this steamer. Saloon and cabin amidships. Lighted throughout by electricity. Duly qualified doctor and stewardess are carried.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.					HAVRE & HAMBURG	For further Particulars apply to

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The Empress of Japan, with the Canadian mail, left Shanghai on Tuesday, the 13th inst., at 10 p.m. and may be expected here to-day.

The Orient, with the French mail of the 19th January, leaves Saigon, on Friday, the 16th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 19th inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 18th December.

The Siberia, with the American mail left Yokohama on Wednesday, the 14th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 24th instant.

A Mail for MACAO, is despatched per s.s. Wingchau on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Sunday the mail for Macao is closed at 8.00 a.m.

Mails for CANTON, SANSHUI and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 5.30 a.m. and at 5.30 p.m.

Mails for CANTON, NANTAO, SANBUK, KONGMOON, KUNCHUK, SANSHUI, and WUCHOW are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 9.00 a.m.

No mails are despatched to those places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

	F.C.R.	P.E.R.	D.A.T.E.
Wakonaten Maru			Friday, 14th, 10.00 A.M.
Henghong			Friday, 15th, 1.15 P.M.
Menapai			Friday, 16th, 2.00 P.M.
Tsueung			Friday, 16th, 3.00 P.M.
Sunkang			Friday, 16th, 3.00 P.M.
Rogaburi			Friday, 17th, 5.00 P.M.
Rabi			Saturday, 17th, 11.00 A.M.
Hennashan			Saturday, 17th, 1.15 P.M.
Hrituan			Saturday, 17th, 2.00 P.M.
Choyang			Saturday, 17th, 3.00 P.M.
Farsang			Saturday, 17th, 5.00 P.M.
			Tuesday, 20th,
Printed Matter and Samples			Printed Matter and Samples
			9.00 A.M.
Registration			9.00 A.M.
			(Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 9.30 A.M.)
Registration			Kowloon B.O. 9.00 A.M.
			No late fee.
Letters			10.00 A.M.
			Tuesday, 20th,
Printed Matter and Samples			Printed Matter and Samples
			10.00 A.M.
Registration			10.00 A.M.
			(Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.)
Registration			Kowloon B.O. 10.00 A.M.
			No late fee.
Letters			11.00 A.M.
			Tuesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Kiukang			Tuesday, 20th, 3.00 P.M.
Taylor			Wednesday, 21st, 11.00 A.M.
Padang			Wednesday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
Arabia			Wednesday, 21st, 4.00 P.M.
Nitonsang			Thursday, 22nd, 2.00 P.M.
Yacata Mart			Friday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.
Zafiro			Saturday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.

TO-DAY.
Extraordinary General Meeting of the China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., noon.
Sale, Household Furniture, &c., Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Ruedesius, 2.30 p.m.
Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club, City Hall, 3 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON.— February 15th.
Telegraphic Transfer 2.01
Bank Bills, on demand 2.01
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 2.01
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 2.01
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 2.01

ON PARIS.— Bank Bills, on demand 2.01
Credits, at 4 months' sight 2.01

ON NEW YORK.— On demand 2.01
Bank Bills, on demand 50
Credits, 60 days' sight 51

ON BOMBAY.— Telegraphic Transfer 1.52
Bank, on demand 1.52

ON CALCUTTA.— Telegraphic Transfer 1.52
Bank, on demand 1.52

ON SHANGHAI.— Bank, at sight 71
Private, 60 days' sight 92

ON YOKOHAMA.— On demand 100

ON MANILA.— On demand—Peso 100

ON SINGAPORE.— On demand 15.00 p.m.

ON BATAVIA.— On demand 12.50

ON HAIFRONG.— On demand 1.50 p.c.p.m.

ON SAIGON.— On demand 2.0 p.m.

ON BANGKOK.— On demand 61

SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate 4.70

GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael 51.60

BAR SILVER, per oz 30.74

OPIUM.

February 15th.
Quotations are:— Allow'ce not to 1 catty.

Malwa New \$10.00 to — per pound.

Malwa Old \$10.70 to — "

Malwa Older \$10.90 to — "

Malwa V. Old \$12.00 to — "

Persian fine quality \$11.00 to — "

Persian extra fine \$11.50 to — "

Patna New \$9.00 to — per catty.

Patna Old \$8.85 to — "

Banaras New \$8.70 to — "

Banaras Old \$8.65 to — "

VESSELS IN DOCK.

February 15th.
ABERDEEN DOCKS.— Mr. DODGE—Nunshan, U.S.A.T. Second, Mr. Hyades, U.S.S. Oregon, Keangchow, Satsuma.

C. MOPOLITAN DOCK.— Chihli, U.S.S. Bainbridge, Shantung.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. Empress of Japan arrived at 8.00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 13th Feb., and left again at 10 p.m. same day for Hongkong, and is due here at 8 A.M., to-morrow.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. str. Oceania will leave Saigon on the 16th Feb., at 5 p.m., for this port.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.S. str. Siberia left Yokohama on the 14th Feb., and is expected to arrive here on or about the 24th Feb.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. Yangtze left Singapor on the 12th Feb., a.m., and is due here on the 17th Feb.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. Laertes left Singapor on the 12th Feb., p.m., and is due here on the 18th Feb.

The Norwegian str. Nord left Moji for this port, and is expected to arrive here on or about the 18th Feb.

The A.L. str. Persia left Singapore for this port, and is expected here on the 19th Feb.

The H.A.L. str. St. Simeon, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 13th Feb., a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 19th Feb., p.m.

JOINT STOCK SHARES

Hongkong, February 15th.

COMPANY.	Paid Up.	Quotations.
Allianbra	\$200	\$100, sellers
Banks—		
Hongkong & Shai.	\$125	\$85, sellers London, 2.95
National B. of China		
A. Share	.25	\$28, buyers
Bell's Asbestos E.A.	12s. 6d.	\$61, sellers
China & Borco. Co.	\$12	\$10, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	\$10	\$9, sellers
China Provident	\$10	\$5.50, buyers
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo.	1s. 5d.	50, buyers
Hongkong	1s. 10d.	\$4.40, buyers
International	.75	1s. 4d.
Lau Kong Mow	1s. 10d.	1s. 00
Soyasey	1s. 50	1s. 25
Dairy Farm	.75	\$15, sellers
Docks and Wharves		
Furnisham, B. & Co.	1s. 10d.	1s. 20, buyers
H. & K. Wharf & G.	.50	\$10.75, sellers
H. & W. Dock	.50	\$10.50, sellers
New Amoy Dock	.50	\$17
H. & W. Wharf	1s. 10d.	1s. 20
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	.25	\$24.
G. Island Cement	1s. 10d.	\$31.50, sales & buy.
Hongkong & C. Gas.	.20	\$17.50, buyers
Hongkong Electric	.10	\$14.50, buyers
Do. New	.10	\$15, buyers
H. L. Trainways	.10	\$14.50, sales
Hongkong Hotel Co.	.25	\$14.50
Hongkong Ice Co.	.25	\$24.50, buyers
Hongkong Rape Co.	.50	\$15.20, buyers
Hongkong S. Waterboat	.10	\$12, sellers
Insurances—		
Canton	.50	\$330, buyers
China Fire	.25	\$88
China Traders	.25	\$90, sales & buy.
Hongkong Fire	.50	\$325, sellers
North China Union	.25	1s. 92
Yangtze	.50	\$73.50
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land Inv.	.10	\$120, sellers
Humphrey's Estate	.10	\$12.75, sellers
Taylor	.40	1s. 37, ex. dix.
Shanghai Land & B.	.40	1s. 12.
Westpoint Building	.50	\$53, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	For. 25d.	\$450.
Rauba	1s. 10d.	\$4, sellers
Philippine Co.	.10	\$5, buyers
Refineries—		
China Sugar	\$100	\$215.
Luzon Sugar	\$100	\$40.
Stores & Dispensaries		
Campbell, M. & Co.	.10	\$38.
Powell & Co., Wm.	.10	\$11.
Watkins	.10	\$6, sellers
Watson & Co., A. S.	.10	\$18, sales
United Asbestos	.10	\$9, sellers
Do. Founders	.10	\$160.
VERNON & SMYTH, Brokers.		
MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER.		
		February 15th
Barometer 9 A.M. 29.96 Therm. (Webb) 9 A.M. 59		
Barometer 1 P.M. 29.98 Therm. (Webb) 1 P.M. 59		
Barometer 4 P.M. 29.90 Therm. (Webb) 4 P.M. 59		
Thermom. 9 A.M. 61 Therm. Maximum 61		
Thermom. 1 P.M. 61 Therm. Minimum over night 55		

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

Jan 17th—Radnorshire, Gisela, 19th—Lock

Tay, Armand Belote, Bengala, 21st—Palermo, Silex (Ger.), Rheta, Suetra, Yangtze, Laertes, Letitia, 26th—Annia, Bengla, Dicon, Oceanus, Ghata, Longos, 30th—Sharon, Follett, Hall, Glencora, Afghan Prince, Borussia, Den of Kelly, Den of Mains, Feb. 2—Ayamone, Tydeus, Dacia, Helios, 6th—Berkel, Peacock, Norge, Merionethshire, Soutern, Indrami, Limon, Menel, 9th—Boyer, Guicciardi, Nubia, Teekal, Tonkin, Pandaria, 13th—Needles, Palawan, Sengambia, Silvertown, Trace.

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

Feb. 10th—Palermo, 13th—Schuykill, Siliqua.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per Hainan, from Swatow, Miss Bruhn, Miss Johnsford, Mrs. Fruin, Johnsford, F. and W. Lyndon, R. and P. Bruhn.

Per Namean, from Calcutta, Mr. Wm. N. Bick.

DEPARTED.